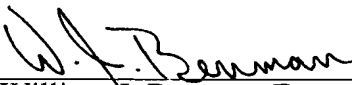


REMARKS

Claims 1 – 6, 8 – 15, 17 – 23, 25 – 31, 33, 35, and 37 are presently pending. In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner restricted the Claims to Groups I and II. Group I includes Claims 1 – 6, 8 – 15, 17 – 23, 25 – 31 and 33. Applicants hereby elect the Claims of Group I with traverse for prosecution. The Claims of Group II (Claims 35 and 37) have been cancelled by this paper.

Examination of Claims 1 – 6, 8 – 15, 17 – 23, 25 – 31 and 33, allowance and passage to issue are, therefore, respectfully requested.

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